

We remember in prayer:

Gary Bloss, Anne Boone, Paul Buchanan, Rodney But-terfield, Carl Camlen, Fred Carpenter, Fallon Carter, John Casey, Mary Casey, Sandy Cross, Donna Davis, Larry Ellison, Marjorie El-lison, Kathy Enderle, Andy Fowler, Bridget Gillespie, Holly Gladbach, Belinda Goff, Debbie Groteluschen, Lynn Ellen Haugh, Emmett Hertal, Charlie Higinbothom, Matt Jackson, Terry Kenley, Keeley LeBleu, Bonnie Lit-trell, Jeremy Lodder, Emma & Larry Ludwig, Mike Mor-ris, Linda Owens, Ron Paalhar, Jewell Phillips, Dennis Rhode, Suzanne Rhodes, Olivia Robinson, Corbin Rosenberg, Jim Schrader, Carl Schreiner, Sybil Schreiner, Bryan Sev-era, Rick Smith, Margi



Speichinger, Jim Sproul, Pat Sullivan, Cierra Wilson, People of Ukraine, Gaza, Is-rael, Iran, and all ar-eas experiencing unrest and war. All affected by natural disasters. For all care givers. We know that our prayer for others help!!!

If you know of people who need our prayer, let us know. We will be happy to include them

Note: If you asked us to put someone on the prayer list.. please let us know when they can be taken off the list.

Why Catholic: Why Catholics are to be quiet prior to mass...

Catholics are encouraged to be quiet before Mass primarily as a way of prepar-ing the heart and mind for worship.

The quiet serves several purposes:

* Prayer and reflection: It gives people time to speak privately with God, reflect on their lives, and prepare to receive the Eucharist.

* Respect for the Blessed Sacrament:

In a Catholic church, the tabernacle con-tains the consecrated Eucharist. Catholics believe Christ is truly pre sent, so the church is treated as a sacred place.

* Preparing for Mass: Mass is more than a gathering or social event; it is participa-tion in the liturgy and sacrifice of Christ. Silence helps shift our attention away from everyday concerns.

* Respect for others: Someone nearby may be praying, so keeping conversation quiet helps them have that opportunity.

* Listening for God: Catholic spiritual ity has a long tradition of silence as a way to become more attentive to God.

That said, Catholicism doesn't require everyone to be absolutely silent before Mass. A brief, quiet greeting or necessary conversation isn't sinful or inherently dis-respectful. The custom is about creating an atmosphere of prayer and reverence.

You may also notice that silence after re-ceiving Communion is especially encour-aged, because that is traditionally consid-ered a particularly important time for personal prayer and thanksgiving.

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OUR MISSION:

TO PROCLAIM CHRIST...TO BE COMMUNITY...

TO SERVE...

TO CELEBRATE

*23rd Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

For where
two or
three
gather
in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.
Matthew 18:20

*We are responsible for one another
and must try to lead each other
on the path of righteousness
(Ezekiel 33: 7-9)*

*We are bound by the law of love
(Romans 13:8-10)*

*Jesus is present in our midst
wherever two or three are gathered
in His name.
(Matthew 18:15-20)*

Pastor Rev. Henry Ussher

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Pastoral Associate-

Sister Mary Rost SSND

Sacraments: Contact Sr. Mary for preparation

New Parishioners: We are happy to welcome you to our parish. Contact Sister Mary or fill out the registration

Pastoral Council Members

Meets 1st Wed. of month

Bill Paalhar : President

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Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Rosary at 8:30

** *Reconciliation: 8:00-8:25*

Wednesday Mass will be at
8:30 a.m.

Mass Intentions

Sept 6 Robert Devoy

Sept 9 Karen Fay

Sept 13 Larry Wattenbarger

Sept 16 Don Shughart

Sept 20 Jon Hansen

Sept 23 Henry Williams

Church Attendance

Aug 2 150

Aug 9 150

Aug 16 128

Aug 23 167

Aug 30 182

Birthdays and Anniversaries

9-6 Olivia McCurry

9-6 Lou Kitchen

9-6 Dave & Sheila Paalhar

9-7 Daniel Jones

9-8 Bill Allen

9-8 Tommy Fiala

9-8 Cheryl Hamilton

9-9 Payslie Alexander

9-9 Natalie Bennett

9-9 Linda Shaw

9-5 Kate Vandemore

9-10 Gary Kitchen

9-10 Josh Shoemaker

9-11 Maggie Kremer

9-11 Terry & Jane Milford

9-12 Katie Miller



PSR

INFORMATION

The fees for PSR are \$25 for the first child and \$10 for each additional child. The fees help cover some of the cost of materials used. Books are now \$25-\$30. Please place payment in the collection basket, clearly marked PSR fees.

PSR will start on Sept 13, 2026. Preschool through grade 8 will meet in the school building.

Caritas (Post Confirmation) will meet in the rectory living room. *Snack first then class until 11:15.



We will be starting OCIA soon (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) If you, or someone you know is interested in joining the Church, or learning more about our faith, please let Sister Mary know soon.

Stewardship of Treasure

Needed for Aug . . . \$16,835

Aug 2 \$4,395

Aug 9 \$4,167

Aug 16 \$3,193

Aug 23 \$ 2,118

Aug 30 \$1,491

Still need for Aug. . . \$1,471

Improvement Fund.....\$60
Cemetery.....\$

Bible in a Day workshop

Bible in a Day Workshop, presented by Ascension using the Great Adventure Bible Timeline.

Discover how the Bible tells one unified story of God's love for his people, featuring **Jeff Cavins**.

This workshop will reveal how the key people, places, and events of Scripture connect from Genesis all the way to the Church today.

No cost. September 19 9:00-3:00 Cana Hall, Cathedral of St. Joseph

Registration required:
diojeffcity.org/bible-in-a-day-workshop/

LOVE IS THE FULFILLMENT OF THE LAW

It takes love to correct a person who has gone a wrong way; it takes love to forgive a transgressor for the sake of reconciliation; and above all, it takes love to win the hearts of those we are called to lead and guide. In this regard, St. Paul said "Brothers and sisters:Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

We cannot be good watchmen and watchmen for God's people to turn their hearts back to God if we care not about the salvation of their souls. Rooted in love for salvation of every soul, there should not be any obstacle on our part in terms of fraternal connection that we are to offer. We must have the courage to rebuke those who erroneously go astray. And we must equally accept our wrongs when are made aware of and amend our ways (cf Ezekiel 33:7-9)

For the seek of unity that only love can sustain, we are to iron out all hurtful feelings through creation of awareness and forgiveness. Disputes must amicably be settled among brethren, to forestall unity, even if it involves our current court system. We cannot pray for our common good when we have divided minds and hearts full of bitterness towards others in our midst. Reconciliation, forgiveness and mutual understanding are key to attainment of blessings when we gather to pray (cf Matthew 18:15-20).

Peace!

Fr. Ussher